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Examiner: Krisanne Marie Thornton

For: SALT PLATFORM WITH HUB HAVING LOCKING ELEMENT

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Replacement formal drawings(25 sheets) are also filed herewith.

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Dear Sir:

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Transmitted herewith are twenty five (25) sheets of formal drawings to be substituted for the drawings initially filed in the above-captioned application for patent.

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